

REMARKS

This amendment is being filed in response to the Advisory Action dated September 15, 2008. The Advisory Action stated the arguments presented in the Amendment filed on August 21, 2008, in response to final Office Action were considered by the Examiner, but failed to place the application in condition for allowance. The amendments to Claims 12 and 14 in the Amendment dated August 21, 2008, were not entered. Consequently, in order to proceed with the process of appeal, Claims 12-14 have been canceled under 37 CFR 41.33(b) without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants submit that such cancellation does not affect the scope of any other pending claim in the Appeal proceeding. Accordingly, Claims 1-11 and 16-19 are currently pending in the application, with Claims 1, 8, 12 and 16 being independent claims.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to expedite the prosecution of the application. To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 502624 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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